

ROAD CENTER NEAR ARRAS IS CAPTURED

Fierce Trench to Trench Fighting is Reported by Paris. French Claim Further Progress in Artois.

METZ BOMBARDED BY ARMADA OF AEROPLANES

Forty Shells Are Dropped on Railway Station at Sablon. Artillery Fight Duel in Champagne.

PARIS, Oct. 4.—Metz, the mightiest German fortress on the western frontier, has been bombarded by an armada of French aeroplanes. It was announced today by the French war office.

Forty shells were dropped upon the railway station at Sablon, one of the suburbs of Metz.

One of the forts in the great circle of defensive works encircling Metz is at Sablon.

The Metz raid is an important operation in the great air offensive which the allies are keeping up to cripple German lines of communication.

Further progress has been achieved by the Allies in Artois.

Fierce trench to trench fighting is proceeding in the woods of Givenchy and around Hill 119, north of Arras. An important road center, where five highways converge, has been taken. Violent cannonades are in progress on the front.

South of Arras severe fighting has developed in the region of Quenneverez.

Official Report.

The text of the official communiqué follows:

"North of Arras our progress continues in the Givenchy hill and at Hill 119 where we have occupied a place at the junction of five roads.

"Almost continuous trench to trench fighting accompanied by cannonades on both sides has been going on in the region of Quenneverez and Navron.

"In the Champagne sector an artillery duel occurred last night on the outskirts of the Navron farm.

"Two German counter attacks to the north of Le Mesnil were repulsed.

"On the remainder of the front the night was calm.

"One of our air squadrons dropped 40 shells on large calibre on the Sablon railway station at Metz.

"Other aviators have continued to break and bombard the railway junction points and stations behind the German front."

VICTORY COSTLY.

BERLIN (via Amsterdam), Oct. 4.—The allies lost 150,000 men in killed, wounded and prisoners in the recent fighting in Artois and Champagne, according to German estimates issued today. The French lost 150,000 and the British 100,000, was stated. The German losses are placed at less than one-fifth of these totals.

The German general staff in reviewing the situation in the west, asserts that Gen. Joffre planned to force the Germans to retire over the entire front, whereas the biggest gain of the allied troops was 15 miles.

"This result was due chiefly to asphyxiating gases used by the French," says the general staff. "By no stretch of the imagination can the successes of the allies be called a brilliant victory notwithstanding the fact they had help from most of the munition factories of the world, including those in the United States."

AUTO ACCIDENTS CAUSE 3 DEATHS

Three Others Near Death and Four Are Injured—Two Cars in Collision.

CHICAGO, Oct. 4.—Three women were dead and three other persons with skulls fractured were near death today, the results of yesterday's automobile accidents. In addition four others were suffering severe injuries although none of them was expected to prove fatal.

The dead were:

Mrs. Fanny A. Speer.

Mrs. Louise Kusfeldt.

Mrs. Minnie Bonk.

Seven persons were injured in the accident that resulted in Mrs. Kusfeldt's death. John Kusfeldt, a farmer of Bingham, Ind., drove to Chicago to take a party for a day's pleasure riding. In a collision with a car occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Alex Johnson, all of the occupants of both cars were hurt. Mrs. Kusfeldt was taken to a hospital today. Mrs. Bonk died today, the result of injuries suffered in a collision between two automobiles. Mrs. Speer was killed when she stepped in the path of an automobile as she was leaving Trinity church.

OCCUPY ELBASSAN.

VIENNA, Oct. 4.—Albanian troops have occupied Elbassan, 64 miles southeast of Scutari, after defeating forces under Apahia, according to the Slovak Newsw Wiener Journal.

RETURNED AS PASTOR OF FIRST M. E. CHURCH



REV. H. L. DAVIS.

WANTS \$15,000 FOR INJURY TO HIS EYE

Aaron A. Nelson Files Suit Against the National Veneer Products' Co.

Suit for \$15,000 damages for alleged injury to his eyesight was filed in the circuit court by Aaron A. Nelson against the National Veneer Products' Co. of Mishawaka, Monday morning.

The plaintiff alleges that one day in May while he was at work in the "acid room" of the defendant's plant the floor gave away and caused some nitric acid to spill on him and splash in his left eye. That eye, he says, was consequently 50 per cent destroyed and the sight of the other was impaired. The accident happened, he says, because the wooden floor of the room had become weakened by the acid which had become spilled on it from time to time. The plaintiff alleges that the impairing of his eyesight will keep him from ever again working at his profession of a chemist by which he was able to earn \$35 a week.

The plaintiff is represented by George Sar.

SAVINGS ON INCREASE

Twenty-three New Accounts Opened During Month of September.

Deposits in the postal savings department of the local postoffice were increased \$1,938 in September and August, according to the report completed Monday morning. There was a total of 154 deposits during the month.

Eight withdrawals were made during September, but in spite of this the deposits were more than they were in August. Larger deposits by those who left money with the postal savings bank are given as the causes for the increase in the deposits. A total of 23 new accounts were made during September. The amount of certificates issued was \$4,241, while the amount paid out was \$2,393.

FAILED TO HEED SIGNAL

Court Explains Law to Accused and Suspends \$11 Fine.

Sylvester Kolwicki of Crumstown, was arrested by Traffic Officer Czenkusch when he failed to heed that officer's signal to stop at Michigan st. and Jefferson Blvd. Sunday afternoon.

In city court Monday morning Kolwicki stated that it was the first time he had ridden his machine in the city, and that he was not familiar with the signals of the traffic officers. The court explained why the officers were stationed at the congested corners and suspended a fine of \$11.

JITNEY DRIVER IN COURT

Outs Sprout Accused of Violating Traffic Ordinance.

Outs Sprout of Mishawaka, for the second time within a week, was arrested Sunday, charged with violating a section of the traffic ordinance.

Sprout drives a jitney bus between South Bend and Mishawaka, and is at present facing a charge of driving his car on the wrong side of the street. Both charges were preferred by Motorcycle Patrolman Weselock. Trial in the second case was set for Oct. 7.

WIFE DESERTION CHARGED

Case Against Fred McElvain is Continued Till Tuesday.

Fred McElvain, 934 S. Seventeenth st., River Park, was arraigned in city court Monday morning charged with wife desertion. Mrs. Viola McElvain alleged in an affidavit that he had deserted her some time ago and had failed to contribute to her support in any way. McElvain pleaded not guilty and his case was set for Tuesday morning. He is being held under bond of \$200.

DIDN'T KNOW THE LAW

Court Informs Man He Can't Hit 'Em Up in Town.

City Judge Warner gently—but firmly—convinced Gottlieb Thumm of Buchanan, Mich., Monday that it was against the law to exceed the speed limit in South Bend. It was done grimly in that it cost Thumm \$15, which sum he was fined.

"I knew there was a state law against speeding in the country," said Thumm, "but I thought that you could hit it up as fast as you wanted in town."

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Edward Allen, laborer, Mishawaka; Lillie Smith, Walkerton.

Nikodem Smikielski, laborer; Maria Lukaszewicz.

TAGGART IS DRAWN INTO BELL TRIAL

State Tries to Connect Cases at Terre Haute and Indianapolis—Met Man in Saloon.

REPEATERS IMPORTED FROM TERRE HAUTE?

Prosecution Promises to Show How Men Were Used—Saloon Keepers Tell of Talks With Officers.

INDIANAPOLIS, Oct. 4.—Testimony regarding the alleged link between Terre Haute and Indianapolis during the 1914 election in Marion county was introduced at the Mayor Bell trial today.

John F. Nugent, former assistant superintendent of police at Terre Haute, related circumstances relative to a meeting with Thomas Taggart at the Denison hotel on May 5 of last year. Nugent was one of the men who pleaded guilty to election conspiracy in federal court when the Terre Haute trial was held, but he has never been sentenced as yet.

Nugent said Taggart took him into a back barroom of the hotel where Edward Holler of the Terre Haute police force and another Terre Haute man named Robert (Hawshaw) Henderson were present. Nugent said that Taggart took Henderson to the end of the bar and gave him something. Later on the outside, Nugent said, Henderson showed him some money that "looked like ones and twos."

Nugent said he later saw Henderson talking to Chief of Police Perrott of Indianapolis, when "Curley" Lehman of Terre Haute was present.

William H. Doerner, clerk of the board of safety at Terre Haute, said he wrote a letter introducing Henderson to Chief Perrott. This was done at the request of Chief Holler of Terre Haute, who is now in the Leavenworth penitentiary.

ARE UNDER SLOW ORDERS

Minor Damage is Done by Earthquakes in Nevada.

RENO, Nev., Oct. 4.—All railroad trains were running under "slow orders" in the neighborhood of Imlay, Nev., today, because of the earthquake shocks of Friday and Saturday nights in Nevada and Lower California. Several railroad water tanks were shaken from their supports and toppled onto the tracks and other minor damage done. At Lovelock, Nev., persons fled from their homes in their night clothes. Three brick buildings were damaged there. In Imlay many walls were cracked and chimneys were broken off.

WILL SEE SECOND GAME

Pres't Wilson to Watch Teams Battle For Honors.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—Pres't Wilson has definitely decided to attend the second game of the baseball series to be played at Philadelphia next Saturday. It was learned at the white house today. Arrangements are now being made.

WANTS 13 JURORS TO TRY DYNAMITE CASE

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Oct. 4.—When the trial of M. A. Schmidt, charged with complicity in the dynamiting of the Los Angeles Times building began today in Judge Frank Willis' court, Dist. Atty. Thomas Lee Wadsworth asked that 13 jurors instead of 12 be chosen to hear the case.

It is believed that it will require at least two months to hear the evidence presented by the prosecution and the defense.

Schmidt was certain today that he would be acquitted. Since his arrest in New York several months ago, he has repeatedly claimed that he did not accompany J. B. McNamara when the latter dynamited the Times building.

David Caplan, who is also held in the county jail on a charge of complicity in the dynamiting of the newspaper building, will probably be called as a witness for the defense. The state claims that Schmidt and Caplan accompanied McNamara when the latter purchased a large quantity of dynamite at Giant, Calif., immediately preceding the destruction of the Times building.

Our Apology—And Explanation

The Editorial Department of The News-Times, disclaims absolutely, responsibility for the premature distribution of the "Extra" today, carrying the assignments of ministers by the Northern Indiana M. E. Conference.

The "Extra" was prepared by the department in full recognition of the confidence imposed, that the assignments were not released until after they had been read at the conference.

The Circulation Department was distinctly informed that not a single paper should leave The News-Times office until it had been released by the day editor, who had a representative at the church to keep him informed. NO RELEASE WAS RECEIVED OR GIVEN. The appearance of the "Extra" on the street at the time that it did was as much a surprise to the Editorial Department as to anyone else. The unsold "Extras"—and only a few had been sold—were immediately ordered recalled.

No further effort to dispose of them was allowed. Notwithstanding that, carrying as it did, the full list of assignments, while our evening contemporary, the Tribune, in its noon edition, carried only those for the South Bend and Greencastle districts, resulting in numerous calls at The News-Times office from clergymen—who wanted a paper with the complete assignments to take home—the "Extra" was permanently and definitely suppressed from editorial headquarters.

Bishop McDowell, and the conference, were righteously indignant over the premature published appearance of the assignments. They were justified in concluding that a confidence had been violated. The circulation manager explains that it was all due to a misunderstanding on the part of his assistant, who took his place when he went out for luncheon. The assistant was told that the "release would come about noon," which was misunderstood for it being already "released at noon." Bishop McDowell, and the conference, were no more chagrined nor indignant, than were the editors of the paper.

This is substantiated by those clergymen, who in spite of the criticism at the church, still wanted The News-Times and its report. We accept the compliment paid us by these gentlemen whose visits before leaving South Bend, evidences that they had learned, even during their short stay, which of the papers to look to for all of the news. The "Extra," despite the violation of confidence, the result of a mistake, appears to have been but for that fact, exactly what the conference needed, and what the clergymen wanted, in the matter of these assignments, with The News-Times the only newspaper in South Bend with the enterprise to furnish it.

Of course, The News-Times as a whole must assume the responsibility. Particular apology, however, is due from the Circulation Department not from the editors. The confidence imposed was held as sacred by the Editorial Department as it possibly could have been, in consistency with enterprising newspaper service.

In behalf of The News-Times the apology is made general. The paper had done its best to give the conference the full value of its news. Extra effort was made to that end throughout the sessions. Certainly we would not, at the last moment, deliberately violate a confidence of such importance, knowing as we do the sanctity with which newspaper confidences are held, and thus pour cold water over our entire efforts.

Misunderstandings happen in the best of families. It is our only excuse. The explanation, pointing to the real seat of that misunderstanding, is merely submitted in extenuation.

JOHN HENRY ZUVER, Editor.

STRIKERS BEAT TAILOR TO LEARN FATE TONIGHT

Attack Man-Entering Chicago Plant to Go to Work.

CHICAGO, Oct. 4.—Several hundred men and women strikers picked out a tailor as he started to enter the Continental Tailoring Co. shops today. It was the first violence of the day, and police reserves called to the scene scattered the crowd and arrested Peter Stein and Louis Dedesky.

The trouble occurred shortly after the strikers had adjourned a meeting that began at 1 a. m. today. More than 4,000 striking clothing workers attended the meeting which overpowered the police of those who showed hesitancy in "getting right" with the administration occupied the remainder of the forenoon. The saloon keeper named Polaski said he complained to the mayor and the latter sent him to the chief of police, and that both promised to "care for him."

Several other saloon keepers testified to conversations with Chief of Police Perrott and campaign collectors from which they drew the conclusion that their business interests were in jeopardy unless they contributed liberally to the "cause."

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Private on Duty Along Border is Shot by Mexicans.

BROWNSVILLE, Texas, Oct. 4.—Private Patrick J. Sullivan of the Third U. S. Cavalry, was murdered early today while doing sentry duty on the banks of the Rio Grande near Fort Brown. The military authorities believe that the murder was committed by Mexicans.

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Auto Is Struck by Train at Crossing Near Baltimore.

BALTIMORE, Oct. 4.—Three men, two unidentified, were killed early today when their automobile was wrecked by an express train on the B. & O. railroad near Leslie Station.

The identified man is Elmer Gassaway, 20 years old, who was driving the automobile.

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Following a conference last night between Sec'y Lansing and the president, the intimation was conveyed in official circles today that Count von Bernstorff is to be told that the last suggestions conveyed by him to Sec'y Lansing does not meet the requirements of the president. The point at issue in the Arabic case opinion is whether the opinion of a submarine commander is to govern whether a passenger carrying liner is to be sunk. The president is understood to hold that if the German orders to her submarine commanders were issued in good faith that they must not attack passenger liners without warning, then the attack on the Arabic was without justification. The submarine could have submerged, in his opinion instead of having torpedoed the liner.

Because of the precedent involved, it is understood that the president insists that Germany shall disavow the attack on the white star liner and agree that in the future no vessel shall be attacked under similar circumstances.

The German ambassador is expected to come here very shortly to further discuss the question. While there is a notable feeling of disappointment in official quarters that no material progress was made on Saturday it is pointed out that inasmuch as the ambassador is in a conciliatory mood, he can be expected to do all in his power to meet the wishes of the president.

WOMAN SENATOR IS OUT ON WAR PATH



SENATOR HELEN RING ROBINSON

NEW YORK.—It is now up to Everett Wheeler, president of the Man Suffrage association opposed to woman suffrage, to do something. Mrs. Sen. Helen Ring Robinson of Colorado has been seeking for a week or more to find Mr. Wheeler and ask him to prove just one little sentence which appeared in a letter he wrote to a New York morning newspaper recently. The sentence is:

"The women politicians in Colorado are so unscrupulous in their abuse that they have driven some of the best men out of politics."

TURKS RUSH MEN TO DARDANELLES

Withdraw Forces From Fortresses on Bulgarian Frontier.

ATHENS, Oct. 4.—Turkey has sent 50,000 troops to reinforce her army at the Dardanelles, it was learned from a dispatch from that source today. As a result of the Turco-Bulgarian agreement Turkey has evacuated the fortresses on the Bulgarian frontier.

This is taken to indicate that Turkey and Bulgaria have definitely reported an agreement by which Bulgaria will aid the Teuton allies.

TO LEARN FATE TONIGHT

Terre Haute Council to Decide in Impachment Trial.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Oct. 4.—Mayor James H. Gosson tonight will know the outcome of his trial on imachment charges when the city council votes on the proposition to unseat him. The trial ended Saturday night.

Mr. E. J. Redman, wife of the former circuit judge, who is serving a term in Leavenworth penitentiary for election frauds, testified she heard Gosson tell Crawford Fairbanks in an Indianapolis hotel that unless Fairbanks assisted the politicians accused of the election frauds, he would "close up the town." She said Fairbanks replied, "You may close up the town if you want to. It won't hurt me. I am not in the brewery business."

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SOUTH BEND MINISTERS TO REMAIN

Rev. Henry L. Davis and Rev. James L. Gardiner Are Returned to First M. E. and St. Paul.

SUPERINTENDENTS OF DISTRICTS CHANGED

Announcement of Appointments Ends Conference—Rev. A. G. Schafer Goes to New Carlisle.

Only three changes of pastors were made in South Bend in the appointments of ministers of the Northwest Indiana conference by Bishop W. F. McDowell Monday morning. A. V. Babbs succeeds J. F. McKay as pastor of Stull Memorial church, the latter having gone to Iowa to accept the charge formerly held by Rev. Babbs; A. H. Kenna of Greencastle succeeds J. B. Bunch of Epworth Memorial church, the latter going to North Montana; C. H. Black of Marion succeeds F. R. Briggs as pastor of Lowell Heights M. E. church.

W. S. Switzer of Plymouth, was named by Bishop McDowell to succeed J. G. Campbell as superintendent of the Greencastle district. Rev. Campbell has been superintendent of that district for the past six years. His term of office having expired at this conference.

W. E. McKenzie of Attica, was appointed superintendent of the Lafayette district. Rev. A. W. Wood, whose term also expired at this time.

Other district superintendents of the four districts in the Northwest Indiana conference remained the same, including M. L. Appleby of the South Bend district, C. G. Leach of Crawfordsville.

NAME SUPERINTENDENTS

District superintendents are appointed every year for six years, when according to the church discipline, they can no longer be appointed. When the first appointment is made it is understood that the superintendent shall be appointed for the five succeeding years.

With Monday morning's session of the conference, this year's meeting came to a close. At the session Monday morning general business was taken up and closed for the year. Reports of memorial committees, the treasurer's report and others were given.

The next session of the Northwest Indiana conference will be held at Greencastle at the College Av. church, of which Rev. Demetrius Tillotson is pastor. A vote of thanks to the members of the "Hinton Methodist church, the only other church at this conference year, was extended Monday morning.

Pastors and lay delegates will hold their next meeting at Saratoga Springs during the entire month of May next year, when the general conference goes into session. The general conference is held once every four years. Ministerial and lay delegates to this meeting were elected last Friday.

PASTORS RETURNED

Rev. Henry L. Davis, pastor of the First M. E. church, Rev. James L. Gardiner, D. D., pastor of St. Paul's, and Rev. F. K. Dougherty of Grace M. E., have been returned. This will be agreeable news to the members of their own churches as this was asked by all three at a recent meeting.

Rev. A. G. Schafer, who has been

NAVAL PROGRAM NOT COMPLETED

Daniels Says He is Trying to Keep Head Cool—Conference is Held.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 4.—The administration's naval program has not yet been fully decided upon. That much was made clearly evident this afternoon after a conference between Sec'y of the Navy Daniels, William L. Padgett, chairman of the house committee on naval affairs, and Pres't Wilson. The conference lasted nearly an hour.

No official statement was forthcoming as to just how much of the program has been decided upon. It was stated, however, that more recommendations are to be considered before the administration's policy is adopted.

"I will recommend a well proportioned navy," said Sec'y Daniels after he left the white house. "The pendulum swings one way for one month when the cry is for submarines. The next month it swings to the other way when it was all for dreadnaughts. Through all this I am trying to keep my head clear and formulate a program for a well balanced navy."

It was learned that the administration favors a program which includes cruiser battleships. Battleships of a speedy type, it was declared, are held to be the best.